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July Post Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2011

Location: Wigwam Resort, Litchfield Park AZ

Meeting Minutes by: Jeanne Sapon – SAME Phoenix Post Secretary

Meeting Topic: Benefits of Building Information Modeling, presented by Gilbane

Board Members in Attendance:

- 1st Vice President – Neil Wentz
- 2nd Vice President – April Ricketts, P.E.
- Treasurer – James Schleich, P.E.
- Secretary – Jeanne Sapon

Notes:

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM. By Neil Wentz (acting in place of Siokey who was ill).
2. Attendance was at 59.
3. Vice President Wentz opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Vice President Wentz announced that the door prize for the meeting was sponsored by Stantec as the Sustaining Member and Ms. Maria Brady, Practice Leader gave a brief presentation on Stantec's capabilities. Following the presentation, Vice President Ricketts and Treasurer Schleich drew a ticket for the door prize.
5. Vice President Wentz introduced Tauny Woo from Luke AFB who had asked Gilbane to provide the membership with a presentation. Ms. Woo introduced the speakers.
6. Featured Speakers from Gilbane Building Company included John L. Tocci, Jr., David Joslin and Jonathan J. Ammon. Highlights of their presentation included:
 - a. The overall benefits of using BIM on projects
 - b. The difference between BIM and VDC
 - i. BIM – Smart, info-rich 3D models
 - ii. VDC – The process of using BIM tools
 - c. The uses of BIM and VDC in the field on multiple projects in which Gilbane was involved
 - d. Use of VDC for as-built drawings and O&M manuals
 - e. Their presentation was followed by a 10 minute Q&A session
7. Treasurer Schleich thanked the speakers for their presentation and apologized for not having their speaker gifts available. He committed to ensuring their delivery at a later date.
8. Treasurer Schleich made a few final announcements including:

- a. The September program will be about the Federal Energy Program and the Base Energy Program and will be presented by a representative of Luke AFB.
 - b. The Post is offering a site visit/project tour of the Austin Bridge & Road project in the Tonto National Forest. There are still spots available to attend, so please sign up on the website.
 - c. PDH credits are available for the meeting and anyone needing those credits should see April at the desk to sign up.
 - d. The Board is looking for volunteers to help with the Golf, Scholarship and Website Committees. Please contact April if you would like to help out.
 - e. Please turn in your name badges as you leave.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 PM.

-----End of Meeting Minutes-----